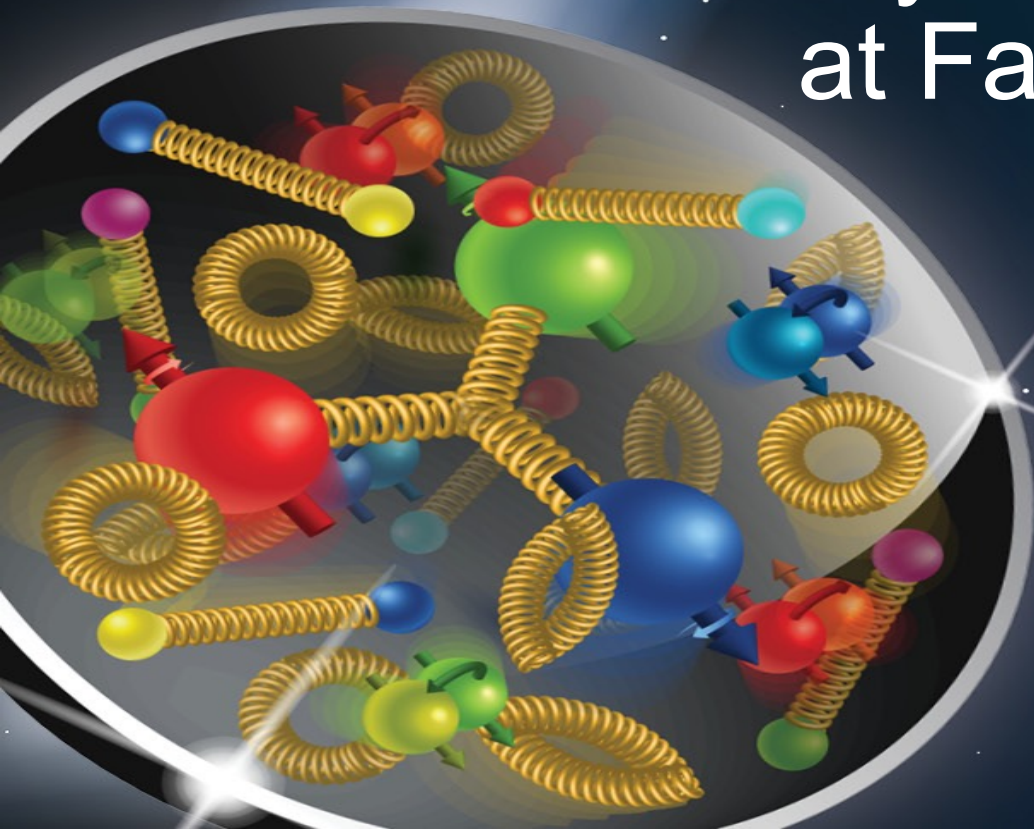


Physics Opportunities with Light Ions at Far-Forward Rapidities at the EIC

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March 17th-19th, 2021

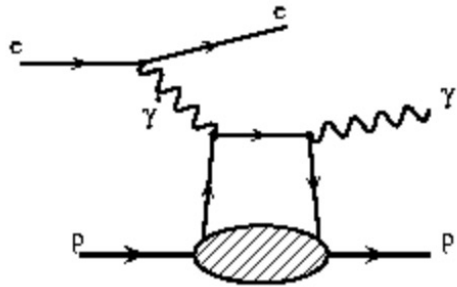
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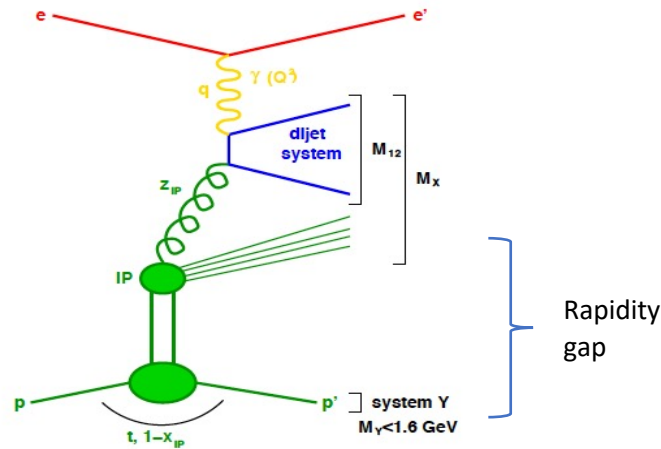
Electron Ion Collider

Far-forward physics at EIC

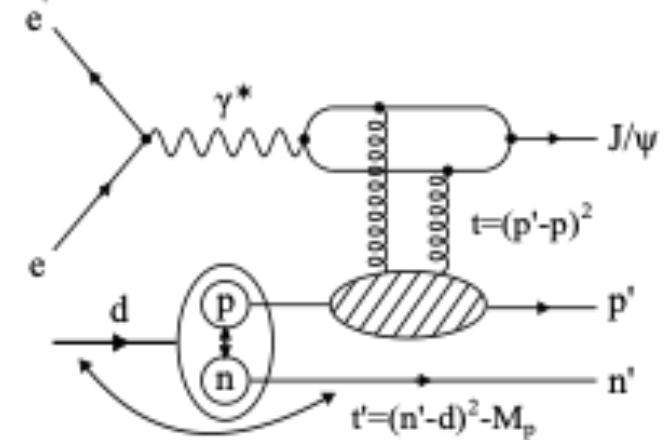
e+p DVCS events with proton tagging.



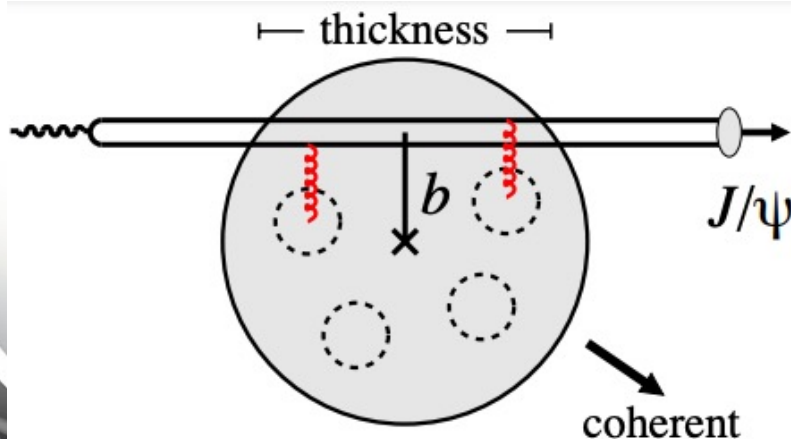
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e+d incoherent J/Psi events with proton or neutron tagging

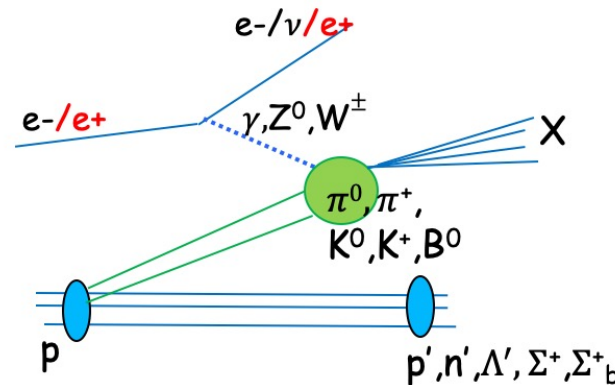


Saturation (coherent/incoherent J/psi production)



Meson structure:

- with neutron tagging ($ep \rightarrow (\pi) \rightarrow e' n X$)
- Lambda decays ($\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$ and $\Lambda \rightarrow n\pi^0$)



e+He3 with spectator proton tagging.

Tagging of coherent light ions (d, He3, He4) from coherent scattering.

e+Au events with neutron tagging to veto breakup and photon acceptance.

Far-forward physics at EIC

e+p DVCS events with

Diffraction

e+d exclusive J/Psi events with
proton or neutron tagging

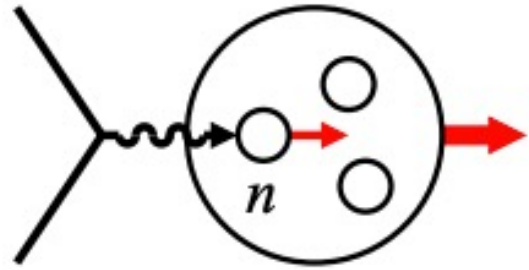
- The various physics channels require tagging of charged hadrons (protons, pions) or neutral particles (neutrons, photons) at very-forward rapidities ($\eta > 4.5$).
- Different final states require different detector subsystem for detection.
- Different collision systems provide unique challenges due to magnetic rigidity difference between beam and final-state particles.
- Placing far-forward detectors uniquely challenging due to presence of machine components, space constraint, apertures, etc.



acceptance.

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Light Ions (non-exhaustive)

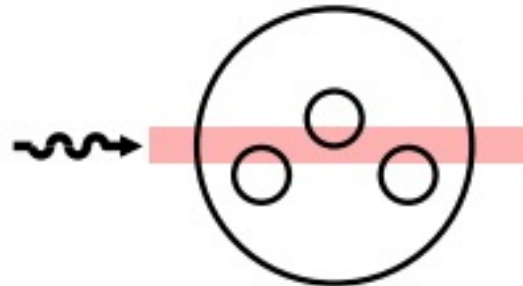
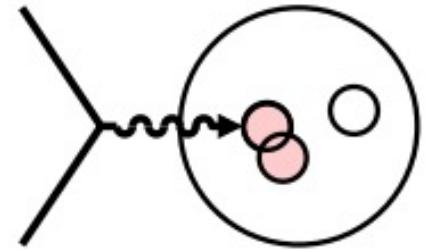


- **Neutron structure**

- Free neutron F2 (polarized – He3 and unpolarized - deuteron)
- flavor decomposition of PDFs/GPDs/TMDs

- **Interactions between nucleons**

- Nuclear modifications of quark and gluon densities (as a function of nuclear configuration).
- SRCs



- **Coherent Interactions**

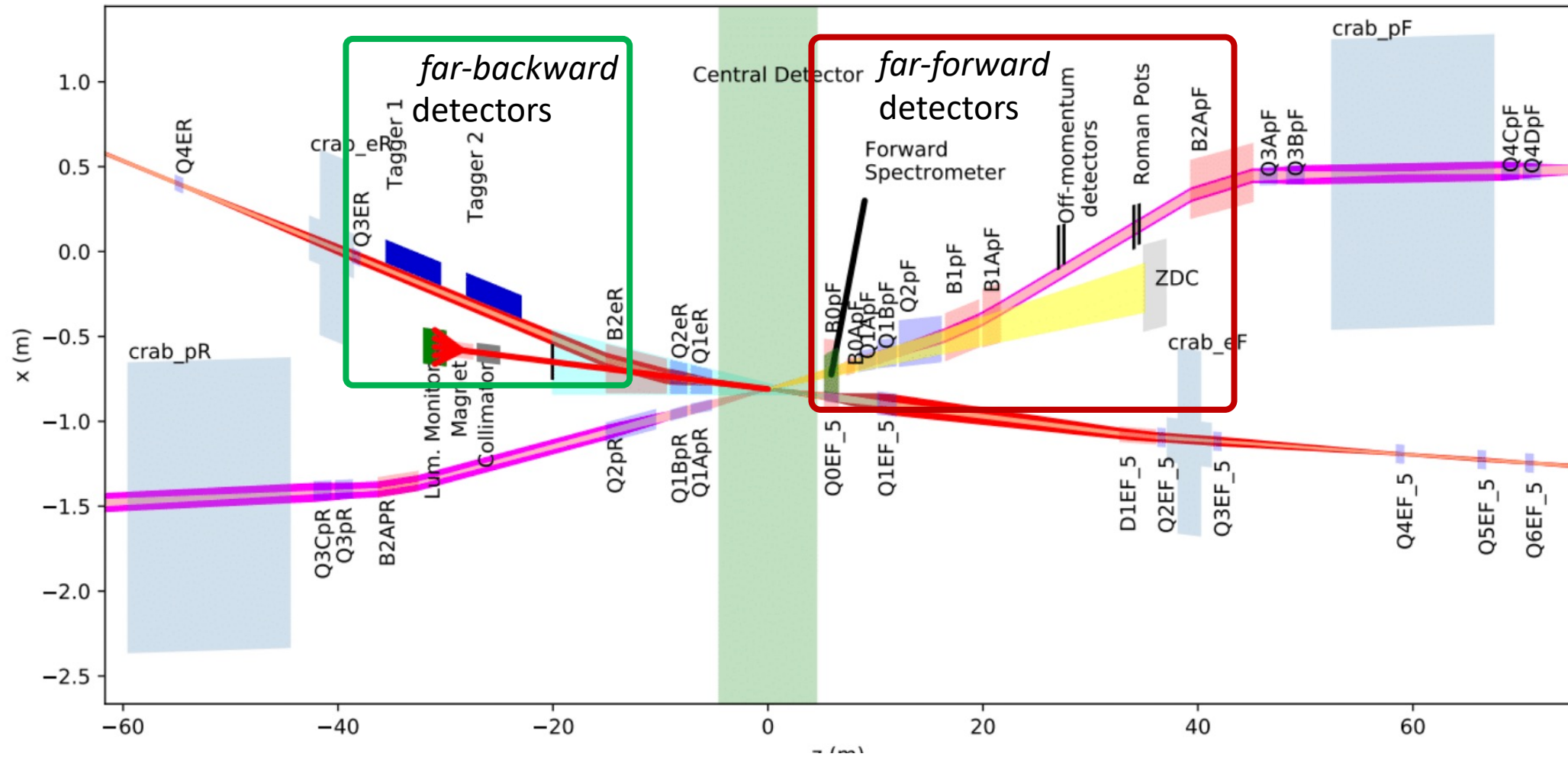
- Shadowing, saturation, etc.

The various final states have a major commonality – the requirement for tagging a final state nucleons at far-forward rapidities!

Far-Forward Interaction Region Design and Detectors



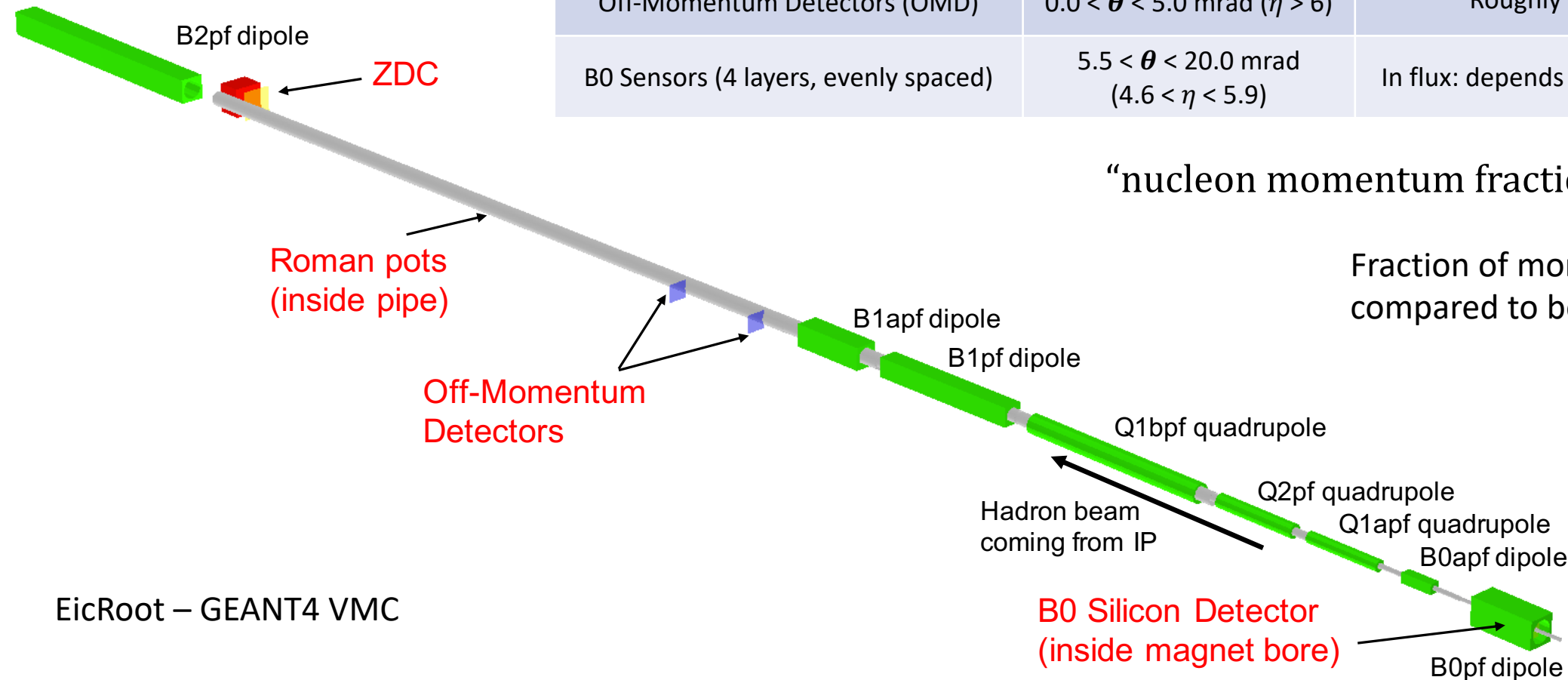
EIC Interaction Region Layout



- Central detector spans 9 meters and is machine-component free (except for beam pipe).
- Hadron-going and electron-going directions after central detector fully instrumented.
- Hadron and electron beam cross with an angle of 25 mrad.

FF Hadron-Going Direction & Acceptance

Detector	Acceptance	Notes
Zero-Degree Calorimeter (ZDC)	$\theta < 5.5 \text{ mrad}$ ($\eta > 6$)	About 4.0 mrad at $\varphi \sim \pi$
Roman Pots (2 stations)	$0.0^* < \theta < 5.0 \text{ mrad}$ ($\eta > 6$)	$0.65 < \frac{p_{z,nucleon}}{p_{z,beam}} < 1.0$ *10σ cut
Off-Momentum Detectors (OMD)	$0.0 < \theta < 5.0 \text{ mrad}$ ($\eta > 6$)	Roughly $0.3 < \frac{p_{z,nucleon}}{p_{z,beam}} < 0.6$
B0 Sensors (4 layers, evenly spaced)	$5.5 < \theta < 20.0 \text{ mrad}$ ($4.6 < \eta < 5.9$)	In flux: depends on pipe and electron quad.



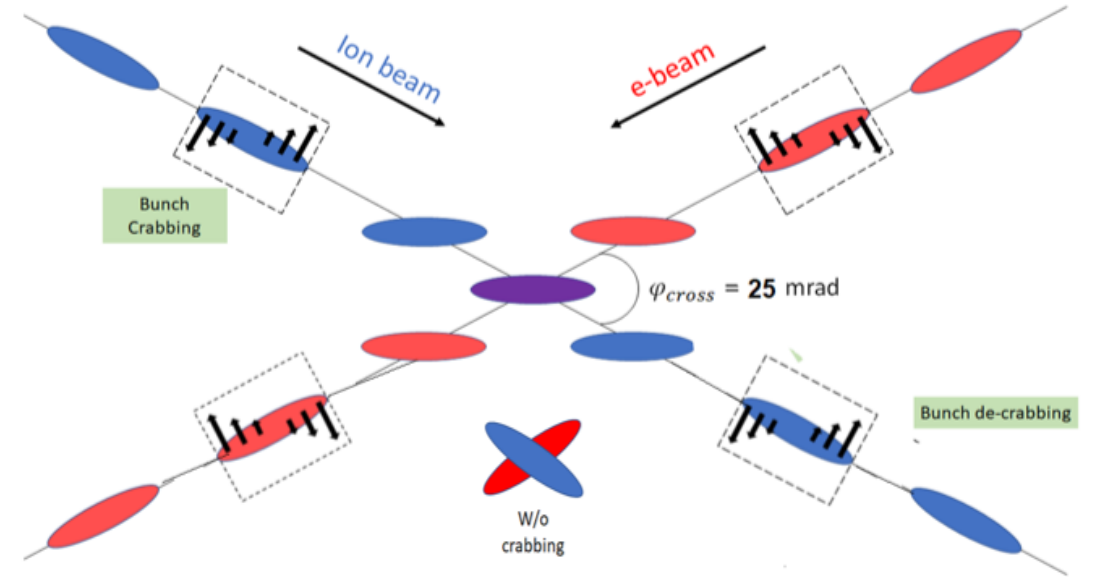
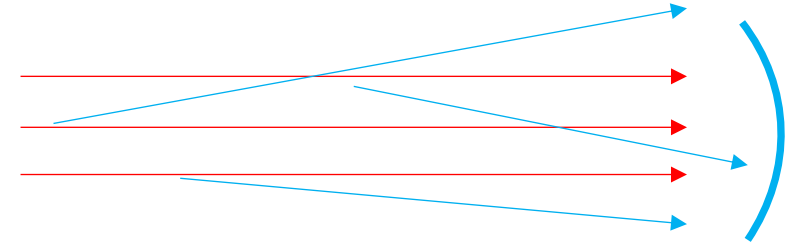
$$\text{"nucleon momentum fraction"} = \frac{p_{z,nucleon}}{p_{z,beam}}$$

Fraction of momentum for nucleon compared to beam.

EicRoot – GEANT4 VMC

Reality of Particle Detectors: Smearing Contributions

- **Angular divergence**
 - Angular “spread” of the beam away from the central trajectory.
 - Gives some small initial transverse momentum to the beam particles.
- **Crab cavity rotation**
 - Can perform rotations of the beam bunches in 2D.
 - Used to account for the luminosity drop due to the crossing angle – allows for head-on collisions to still take place.
- **Detector Choices**
 - Pixel size, RP transfer matrix, etc.

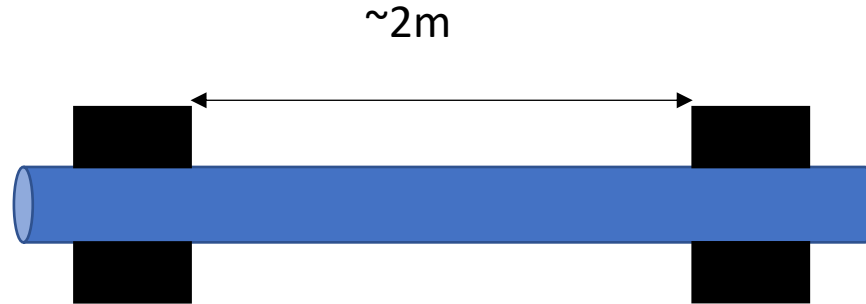


These effects introduce smearing in our momentum reconstruction.

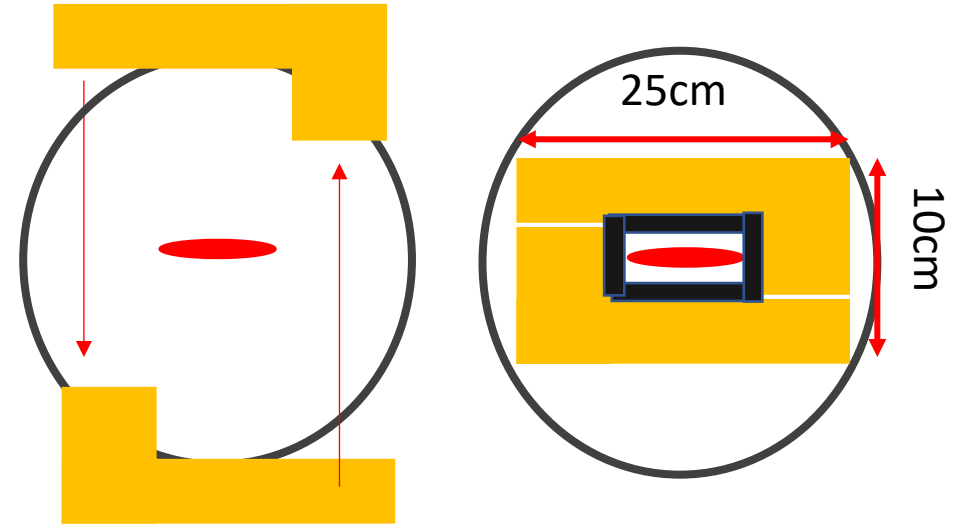


Details of Individual Detector Requirements (based on IP6 studies)

Roman Pots



$\sigma(z)$ is the Gaussian width of the beam, $\beta(z)$ is the RMS transverse beam size.
 ε is the beam emittance.



- Low-pT cutoff determined by beam optics.
 - The safe distance is 10σ from the beam center.
- These optics choices change with energy, but can also be changed within a single energy to maximize *either acceptance at the RP, or the luminosity.*

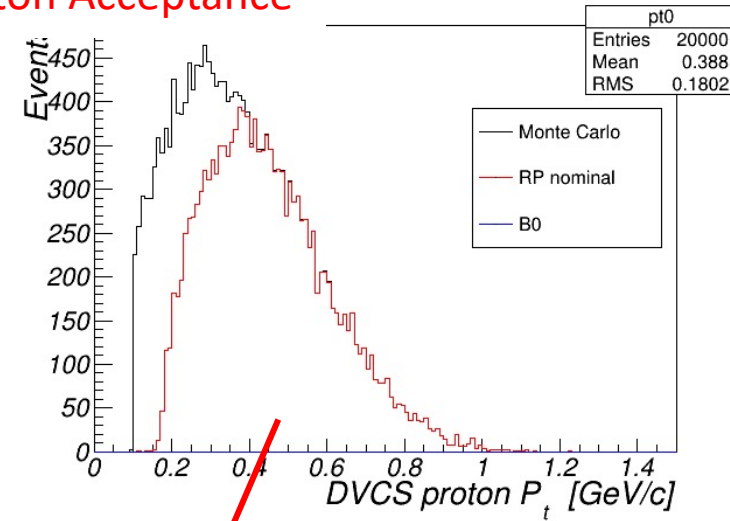
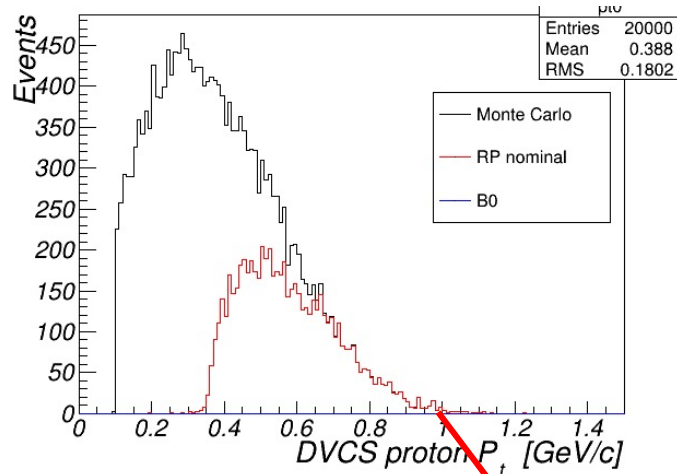
$$0.0^* (10\sigma \text{ cut}) < \theta < 5.0 \text{ mrad}$$

Details/requirements studied using MILOU DVCS and e+He3 events from various MC generators.

$$\sigma(z) = \sqrt{\varepsilon \cdot \beta(z)}$$

Roman Pots & Machine Optics

18x275 GeV DVCS Proton Acceptance



e+p Beam Energy	Option 1 (high luminosity)	Option 2 (high acceptance)
18x275 GeV	$p_T > 0.35$ GeV/c	$p_T > 0.2$ GeV/c
10x100 GeV	$p_T > 0.2$ GeV/c	$p_T > 0.1$ GeV/c (or better)
5x41 GeV	$p_T > 0.1$ GeV/c	N/A

Option 1: higher lumi., larger beam at RP

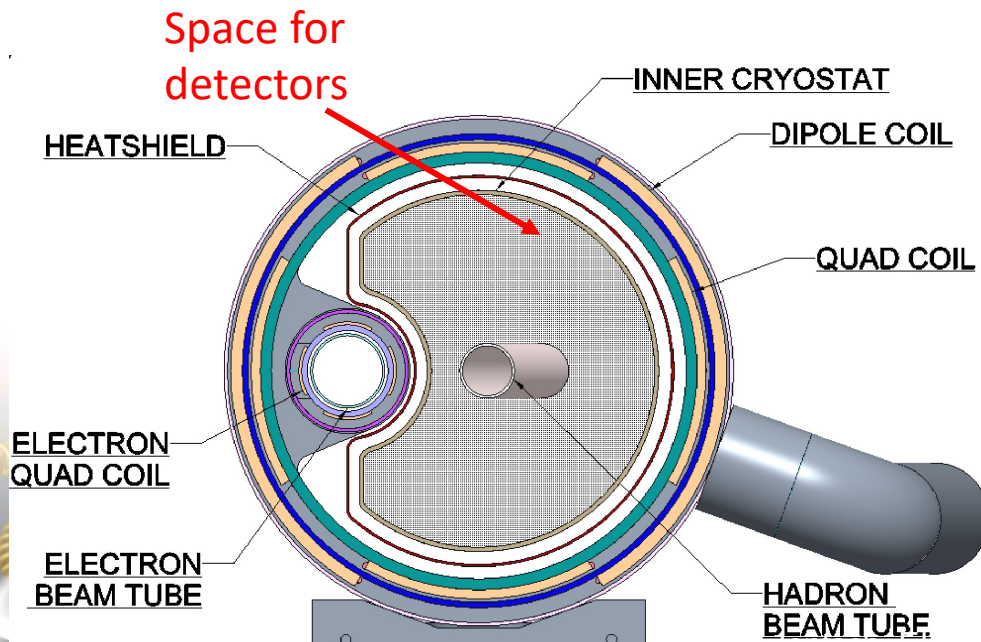
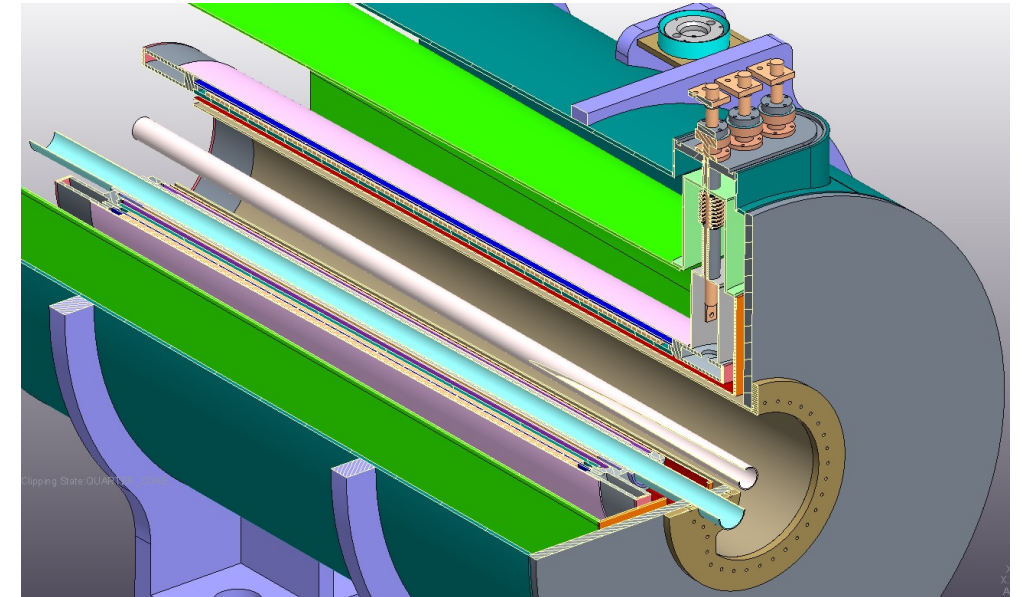
Option 2: lower lumi., smaller beam at RP

The luminosity trade-off is about a factor of 2 between the different configurations.

B0-detectors

$(5.5 < \theta < 20.0 \text{ mrad})$

- Charged particle reconstruction.
 - Precise tracking -> need smaller pixels (50um) than for the RP.
 - Require timing layer for the crab rotation and background rejection.
 - Shape and # of layers of B0 tracker needs to be further evaluated.



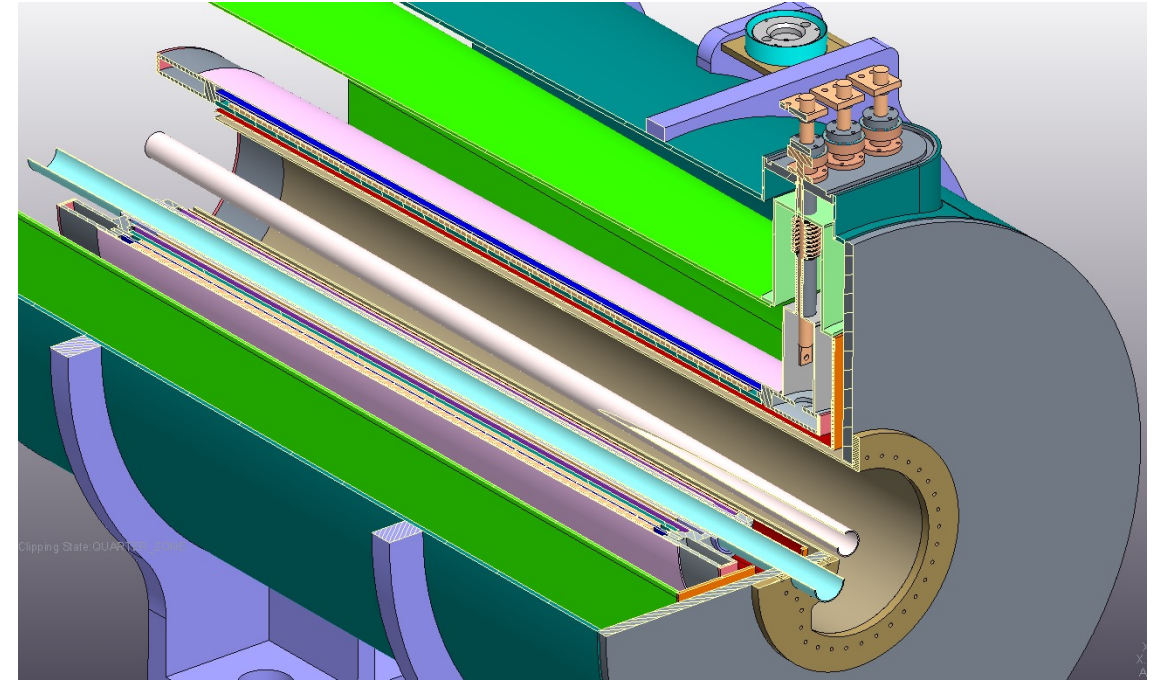
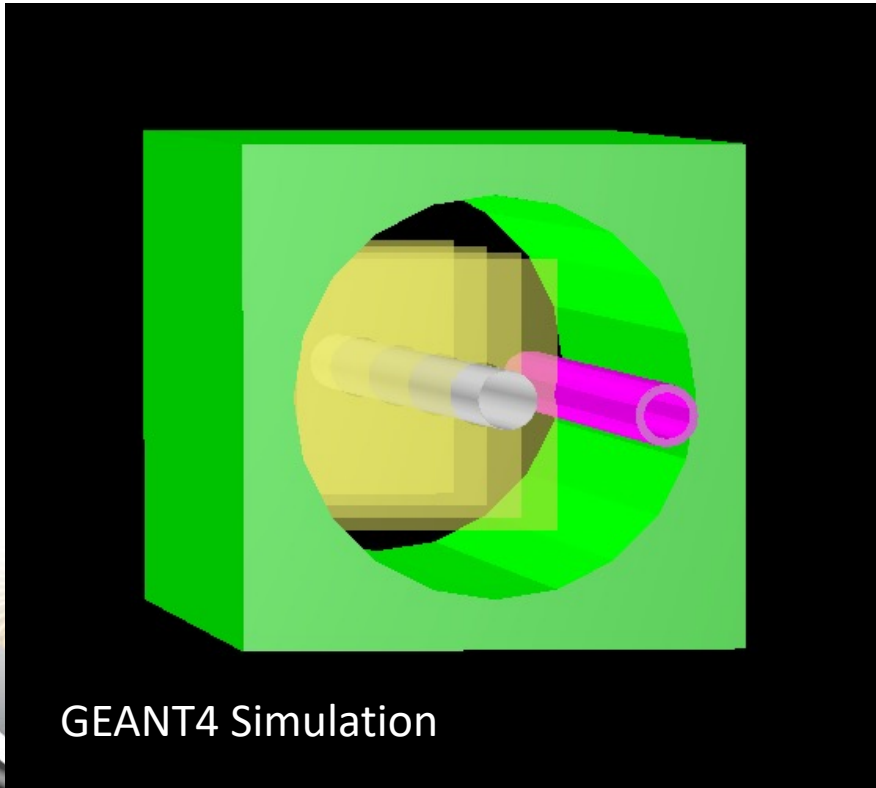
- Higher granularity detectors needed in this area (MAPS, or something similar) with layers of fast-timing detectors (e.g. LGADs), or timepix (provides high resolution space and timing information), depending on sensor layout and size.

Details/requirements studied using MILOU DVCS and e+A from BeAGLE, among others.

B0-detectors

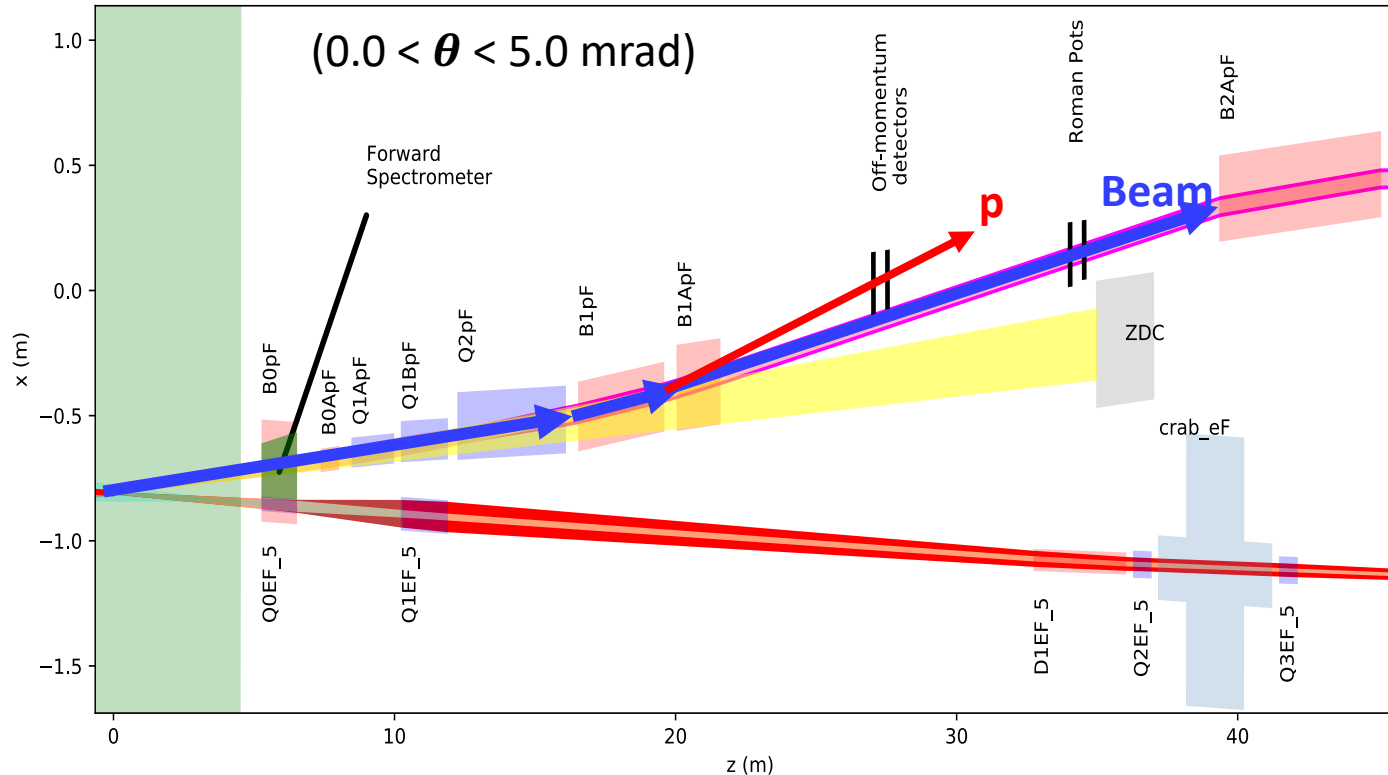
$$(5.5 < \theta < 20.0 \text{ mrad})$$

- ~1.2 meters of longitudinal space in bore.
- Could potentially have several layers of silicon for tracking, and a few layers after for some EM calorimetry (compact).



- Tagging photons is also important in differentiating between coherent and incoherent heavy-nuclear scattering.
- Potential inclusion of small EMCAL or preshower detector in the B0 bore.
- Further study needed to assess.
- Tagging photons further down-stream (ZDC) highly technically challenging.

Off-Momentum detectors

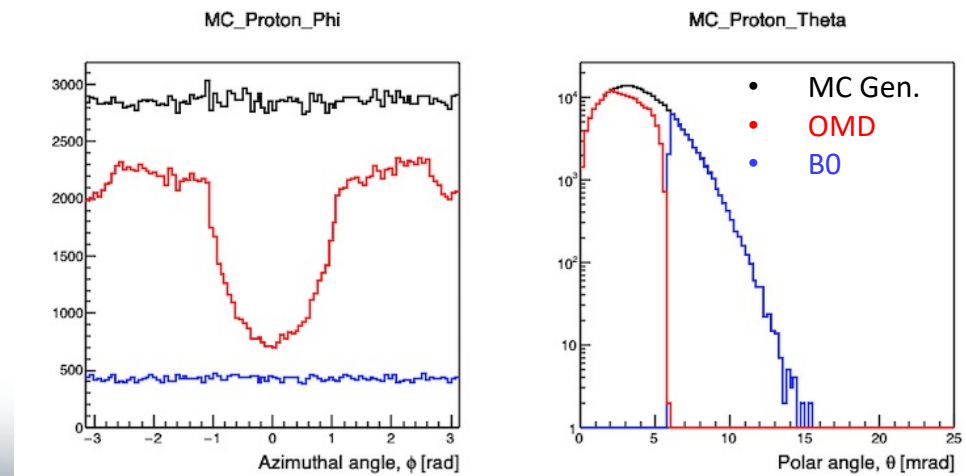


- Acceptance mostly limited by losses of very off momentum particles in quadrupoles.

- Off-momentum detectors used for tagging protons from nuclear breakup and decay products (e.g. π^- and protons).
- Placed outside the beam pipe after the B1apf dipole (last dipole before long drift section that leads to the Roman Pots).

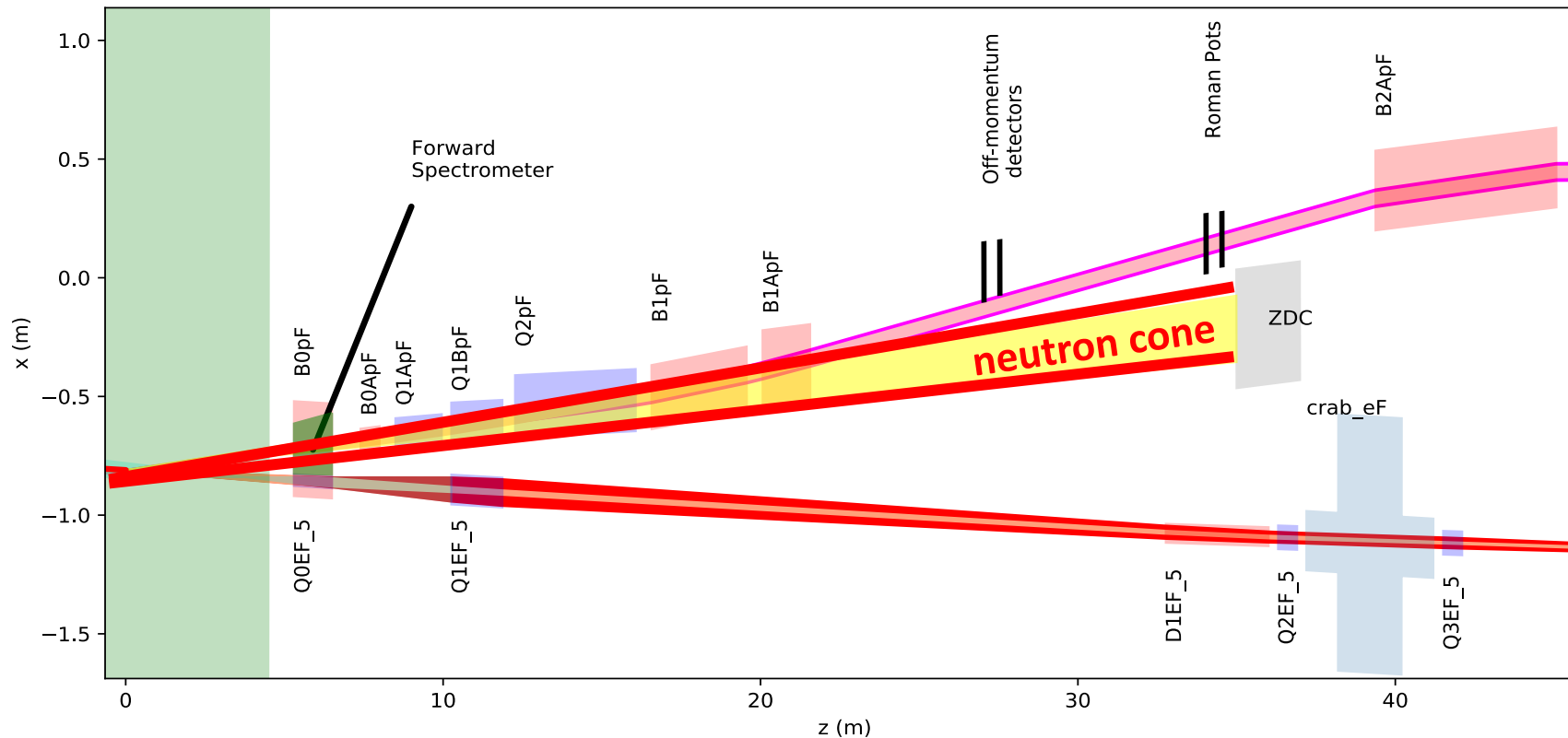
$e+d \rightarrow J/\Psi + p + n$ (18x110GeV)

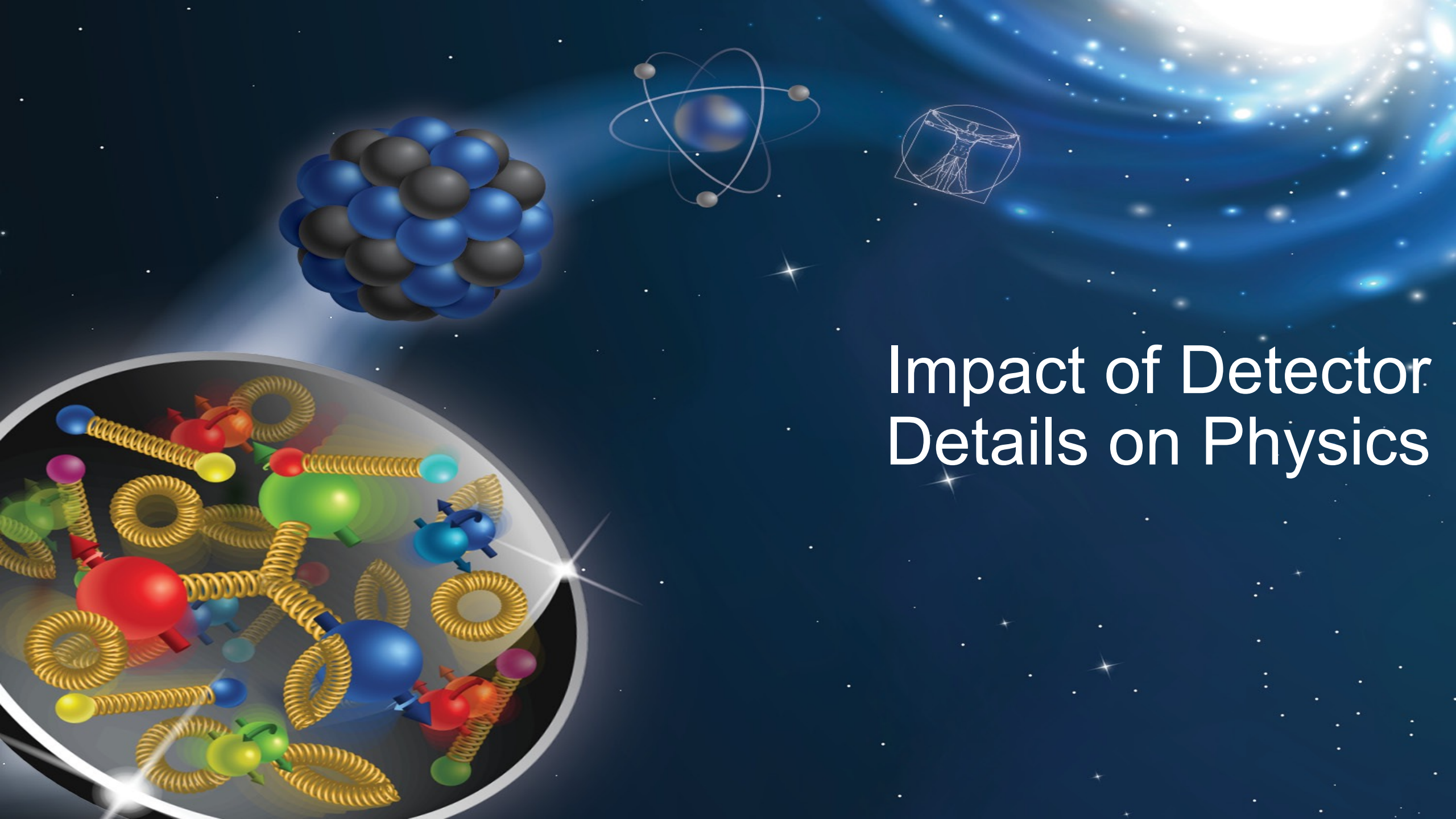
Neutron spectator/leading proton case.



Zero-Degree Calorimeter

- High resolution HCAL + EMCAL for detecting neutral forward-going particles (neutrons and photons)
- Acceptance limited by bore of magnet where the neutron/photon cone exits.
 - $0.0 < \theta < 4.5 \text{ mrad}$



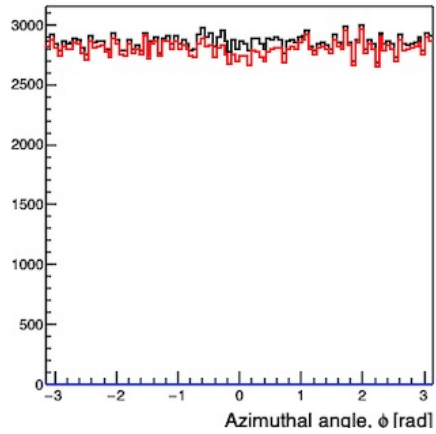


Impact of Detector Details on Physics

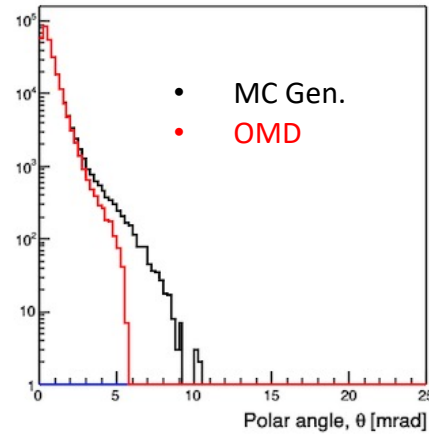
e+d Spectator Tagging

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Protons

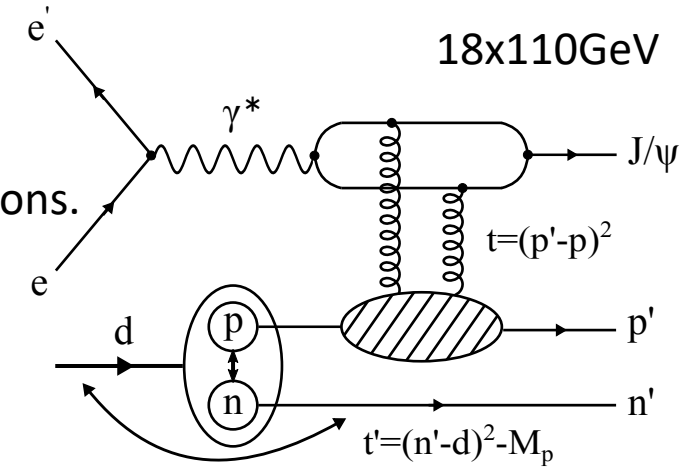


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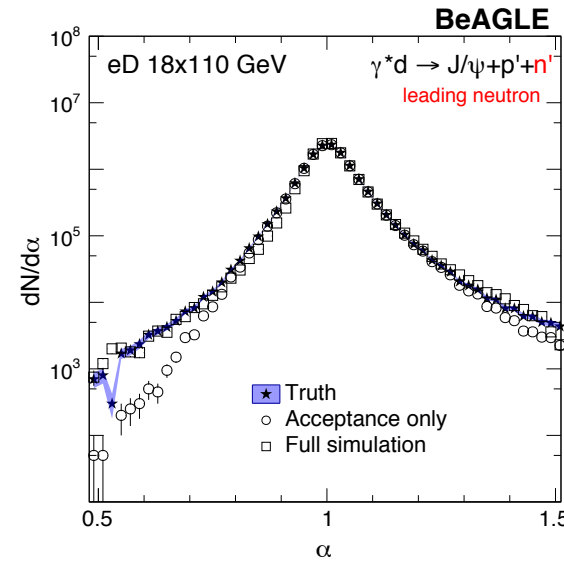
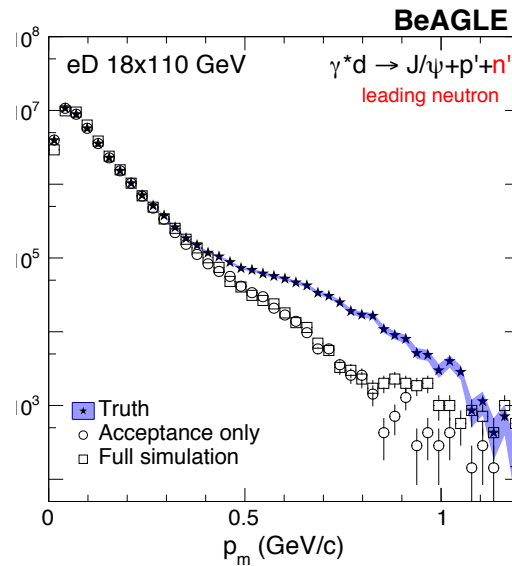
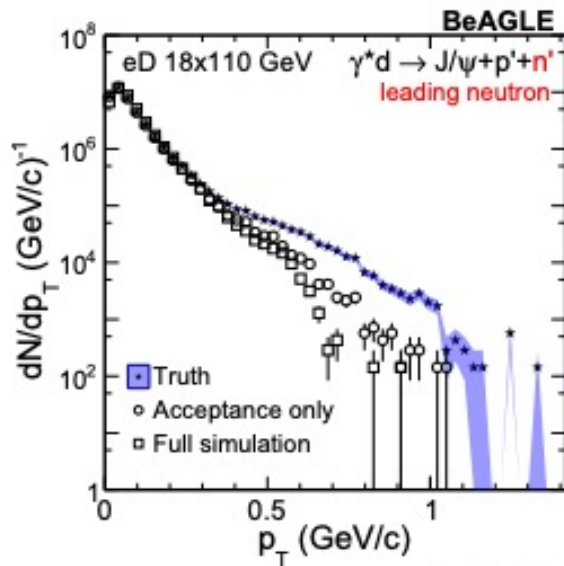


Proton spectator case.

Particular process in BeAGLE:
incoherent diffractive J/psi
production off bounded nucleons.



Spectator kinematic variables
reconstructed over a broad
range. Bin migration is observed
due to smearing in the
reconstruction. Each plot shows
the MC (closed circles),
acceptance effects only (open
circles), and full reconstruction
(open squares).



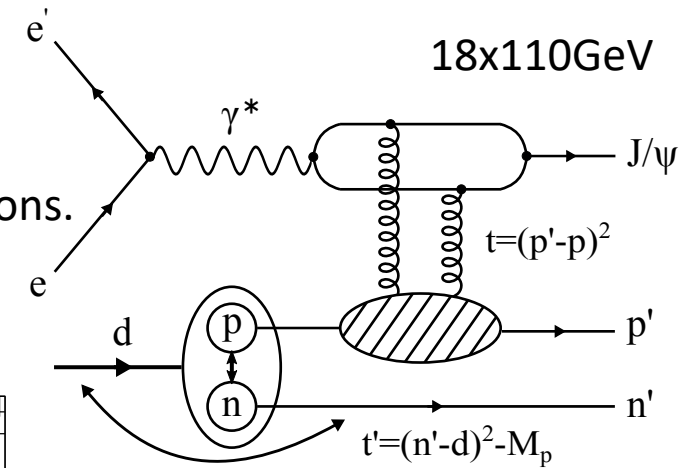
- In the proton spectator case, essentially all spectators tagged.
- Active neutrons only tagged up to 4.5 mrad.

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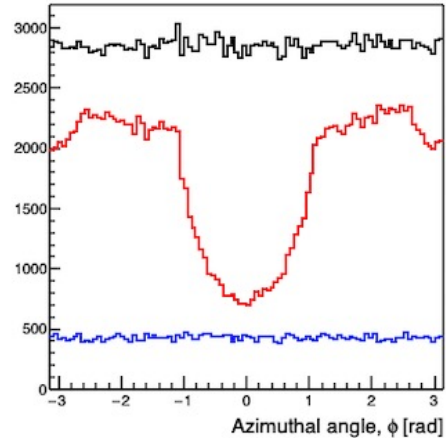
Neutron spectator case.

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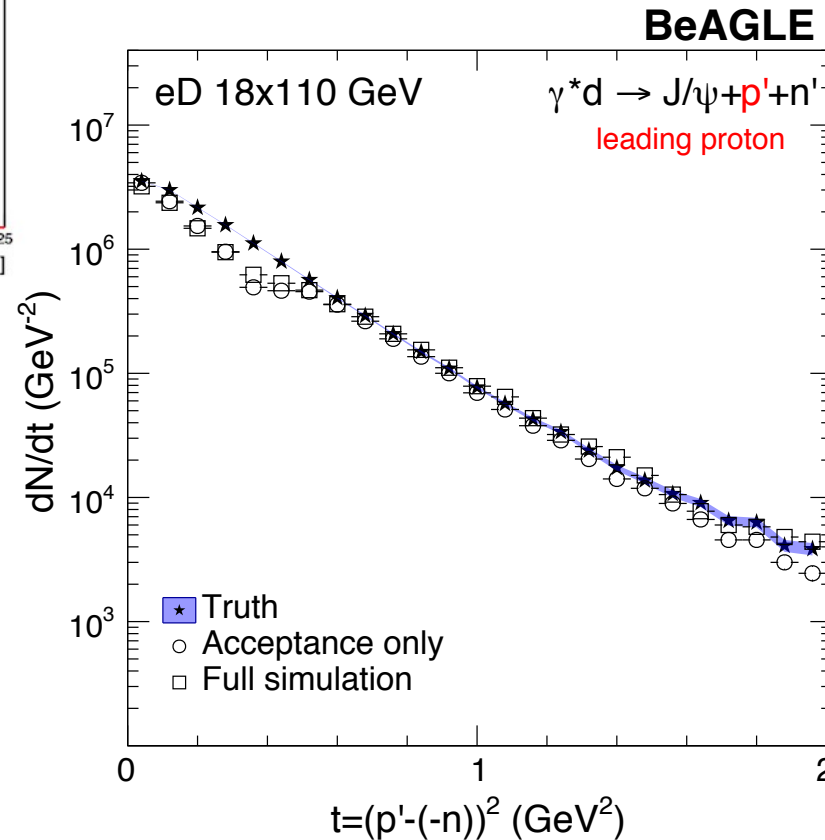
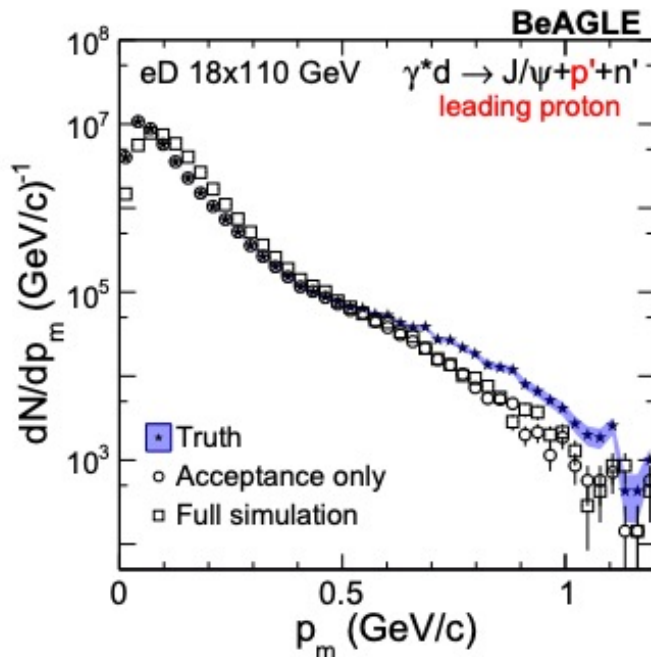
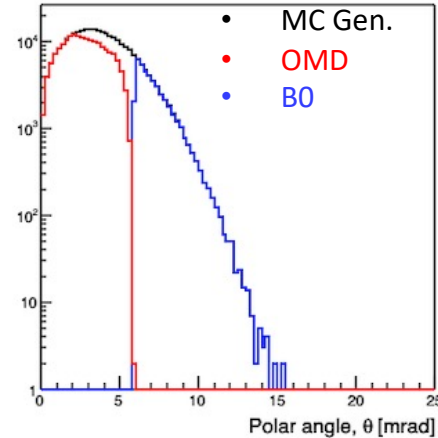


t-reconstruction using **double-tagging** (both proton and neutron). Takes advantage of combined B0 + off-momentum detector coverage. Better coverage in the neutron spectator case.

Protons

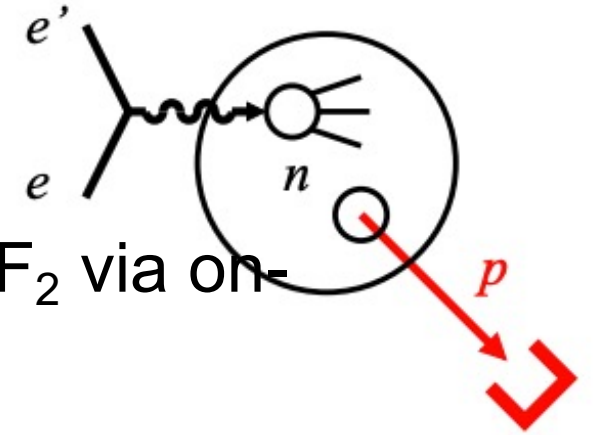


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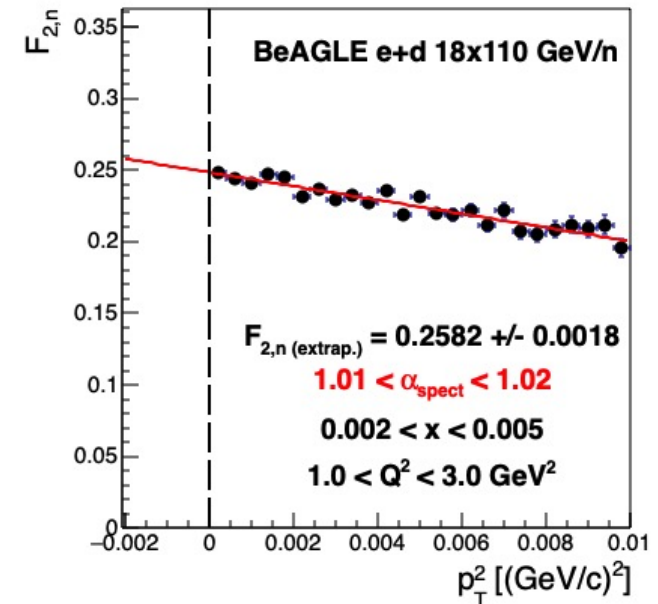
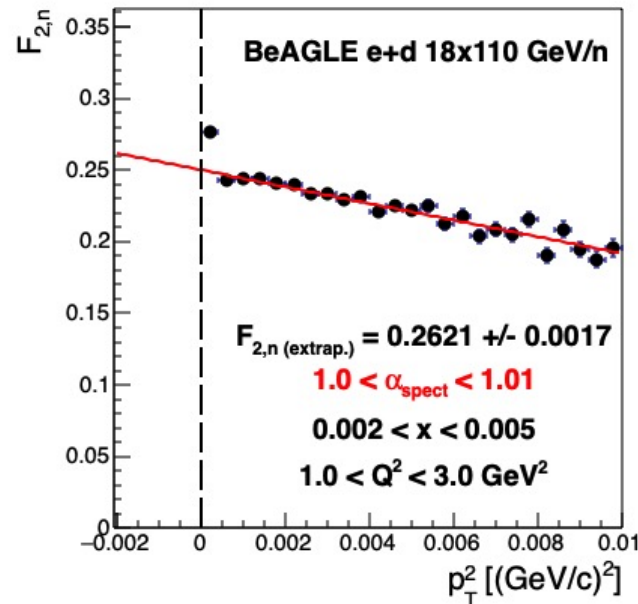
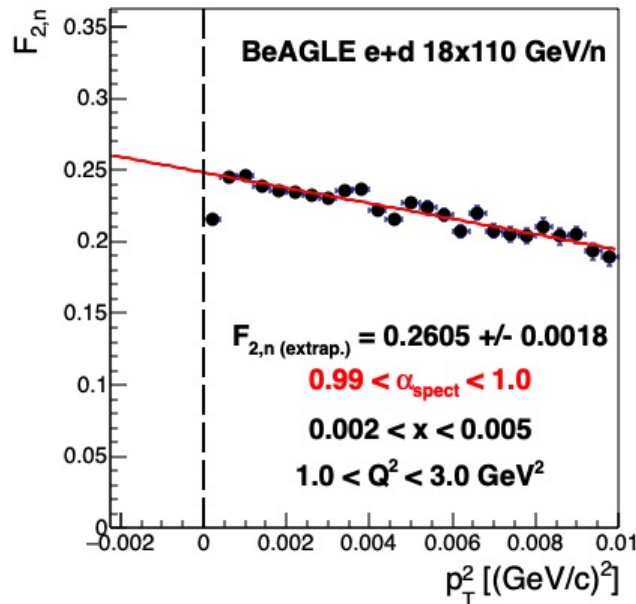


➤ Spectator information is the “dial” for the SRC region.

Ongoing Studies – Free Neutron Structure and Modifications.

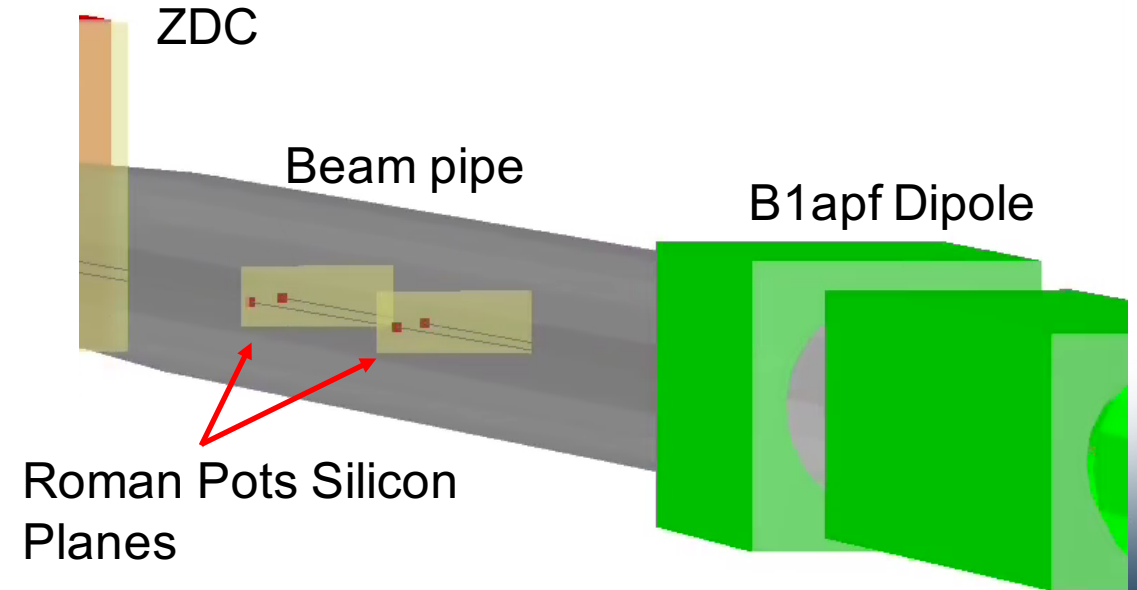
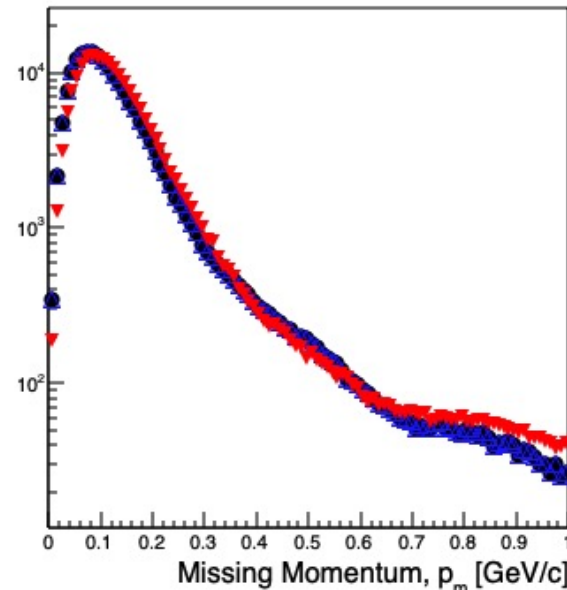
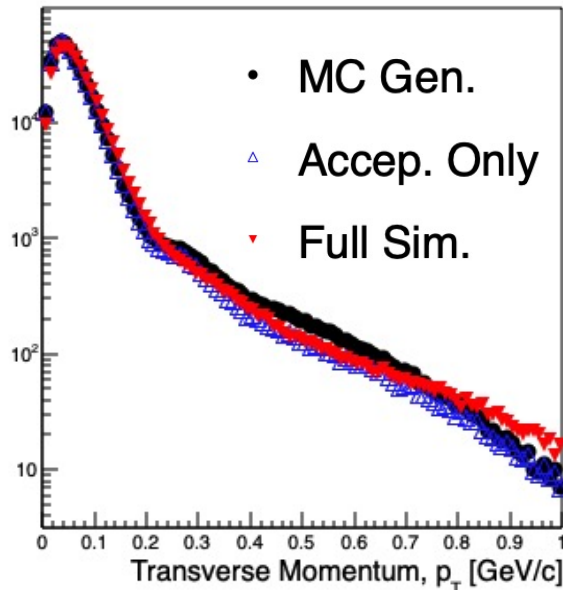
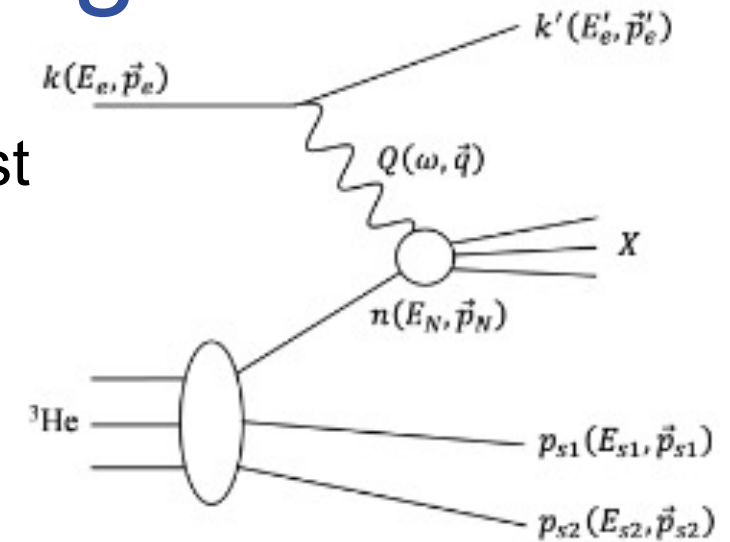


- e+d spectator proton tagging yields access to free-neutron F_2 via on-shell extrapolation.
 - Paper will be on the ArXiv in a few weeks.
- Further studies ongoing to examine nuclear modifications and effect of detector smearing.



Ongoing Studies – e+He3 scattering.

- Studies of neutron structure with a *polarized* neutron.
- More challenging final state tagging since *both* protons must be tagged in the FF region.
- MC events generated with CLASDIS in fixed-target frame, and then boosted to collider frame.
- Paper on the ArXiv soon.





What would we like in a
second IR?

Some thoughts on IR2

- Most of the technology and detector concepts can be also used for IR2.
- There is (always) a desire for more acceptance!
 - Proposed secondary focus at RP location to improve low-pt acceptance.
 - Altered bending direction for separation of beam and breakup neutrons to try and improve neutron cone acceptance.
 - Different placement of between-detector gaps @ IP6/IP8 so combined measurements cover full phase-space.
- All of these ideas (and others) are currently under study, and an IP8 lattice is actively under development.
 - One major iteration has been studied, and changes suggested based on first observations. (See Vasiliy's talk from this morning)

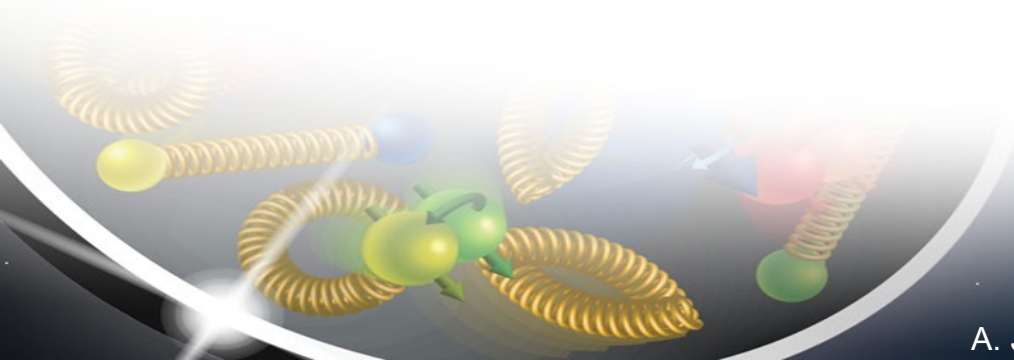


Takeaways

- Much has been achieved during the YR in understanding the physics reach possible with IP6.
 - Many of these studies provide crucial benchmarks for deciding on options for IP8!
- Some basic requirements are already understood, and input from the community is already being included in the ongoing design of the IR at IP8.
- As more detailed simulations are carried out with IP6, the new information will naturally be propagated to the IP8 development – it will continue to be an ongoing process to make the complementarity between the two IRs optimal. Stay tuned!

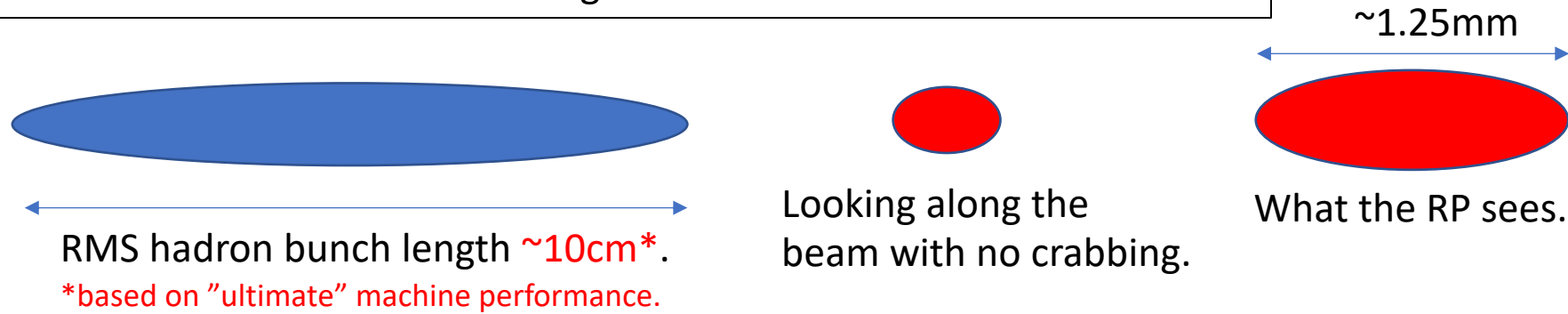


Backup



Reminder: Timing

For exclusive reactions measured with the Roman Pots we need good timing to resolve the position of the interaction within the proton bunch. But what should the timing be?



- Because of the rotation, the Roman Pots see the bunch crossing **smeared in x**.
- **Vertex smearing = 12.5mrad (half the crossing angle) $\times 10\text{cm} = 1.25\text{ mm}$**
- If the effective vertex smearing was **for a 1cm bunch**, we would have **0.125mm** vertex smearing.
- The simulations were done with these two extrema and the results compared.

- From these comparisons, reducing the effective vertex smearing to that of the 1cm bunch length reduces the momentum smearing to a negligible amount from this contribution.
- This can be achieved with timing of $\sim 35\text{ps}$ ($1\text{cm}/\text{speed of light}$).

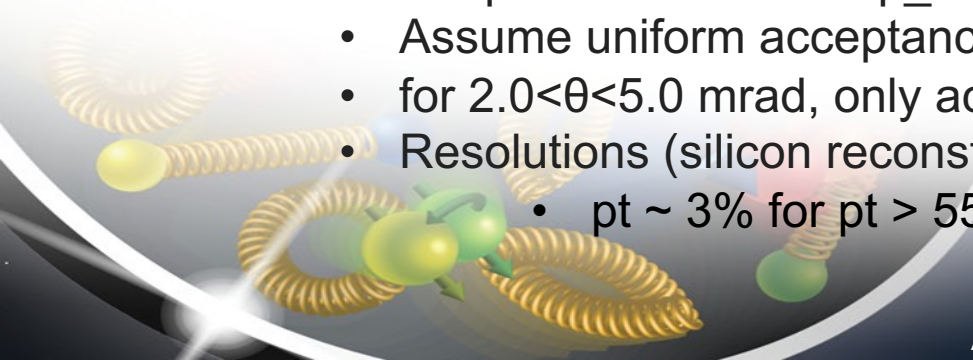
Geometric Acceptances

Neutrons:

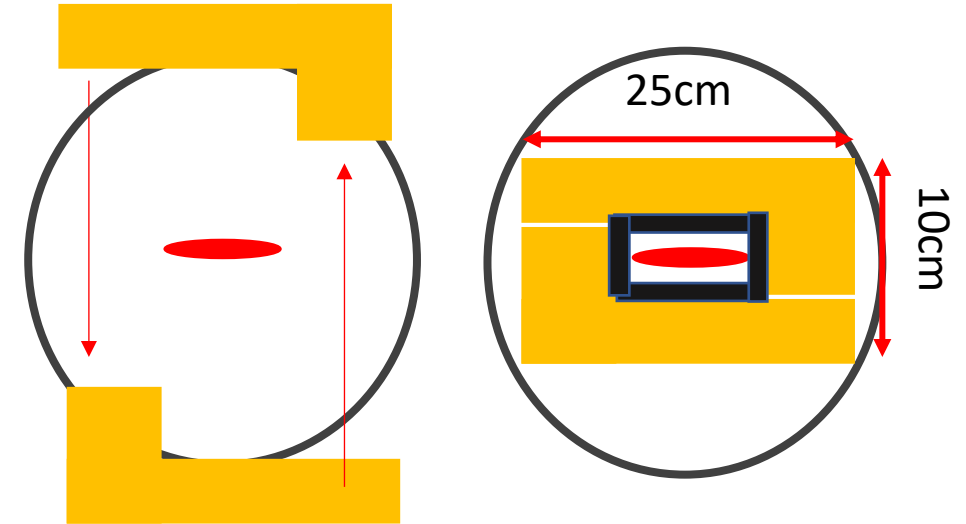
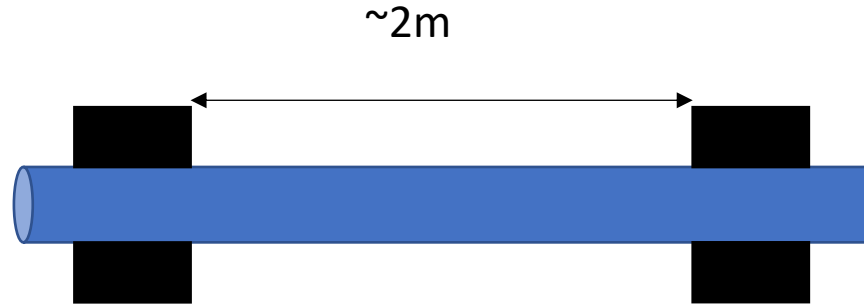
- Assume uniform acceptance for $0 < \theta < 4.5$ mrad
 - Limited by bore of magnet where the neutron cone has to exit.
 - Up to 5.5 mrad on one side of the aperture.
- Resolutions (ZDC)
 - Assume an overall energy resolution of $\sigma_E/E = (50\%)/\sqrt{E} \oplus 5\%$
 - Assume angular resolution of $\sigma_\theta = (3 \text{ mrad})/\sqrt{E}$

Protons:

- Assume uniform acceptance for $6 < \theta < 13$ mrad (20mrad on the other side) – “B0 spectrometer”
- For protons with $p_z/(\text{beam momentum}) > 0.6$ – “Roman pots”
 - 275 GeV: Assume uniform acceptance for $0.5 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad
 - 100 GeV: Assume uniform acceptance for $0.2 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad
 - 41 GeV: Assume uniform acceptance for $1.0 < \theta < 4.5$ mrad
- For protons with $0.25 < p_z/(\text{beam momentum}) < 0.6$ – “Off-momentum Detectors”
- Assume uniform acceptance for $0.0 < \theta < 2.0$ mrad
- for $2.0 < \theta < 5.0$ mrad, only accepted for $|\phi| > 1$ radian
- Resolutions (silicon reconstruction with transfer matrix or conventional tracking).
 - $p_t \sim 3\%$ for $p_t > 550 \text{ MeV}/c$, $p \sim 0.5\%$



Roman Pots



➤ Requirements:

- Fast timing ($\sim 35\text{ps}$) to remove vertex smearing effect from crab rotation.
- $500\mu\text{m} \times 500\mu\text{m}$ pixels.
- Radiation hardness (although not as stringent as LHC).
- Large active area ($25\text{cm} \times 10\text{cm}$).

➤ **AC-LGADs cover these requirements in one package.**

Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (LGADs):

Gain 5-100, Large S/N ratio, 30-50 mm thickness

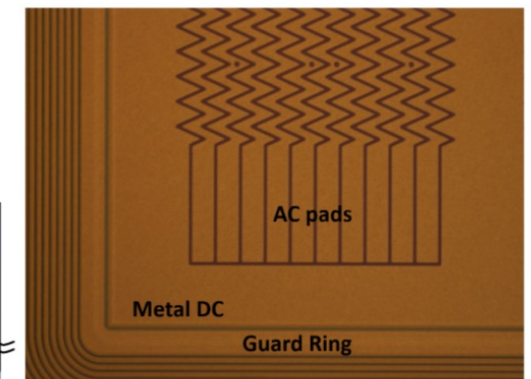
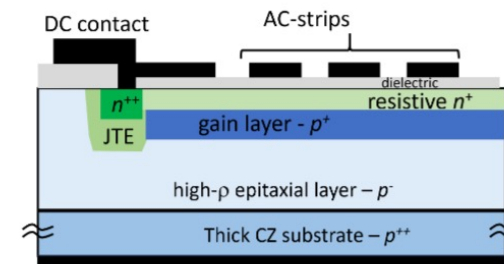
Fast-timing: **$\sim 30\text{-}50\text{ ps per hit}$** , dominated by Landau fluctuation

AC-coupling allows fine segmentation

100% fill factor

AC-LGAD 2mmx2mm strip sensor.

Strip pitch = 100 μm

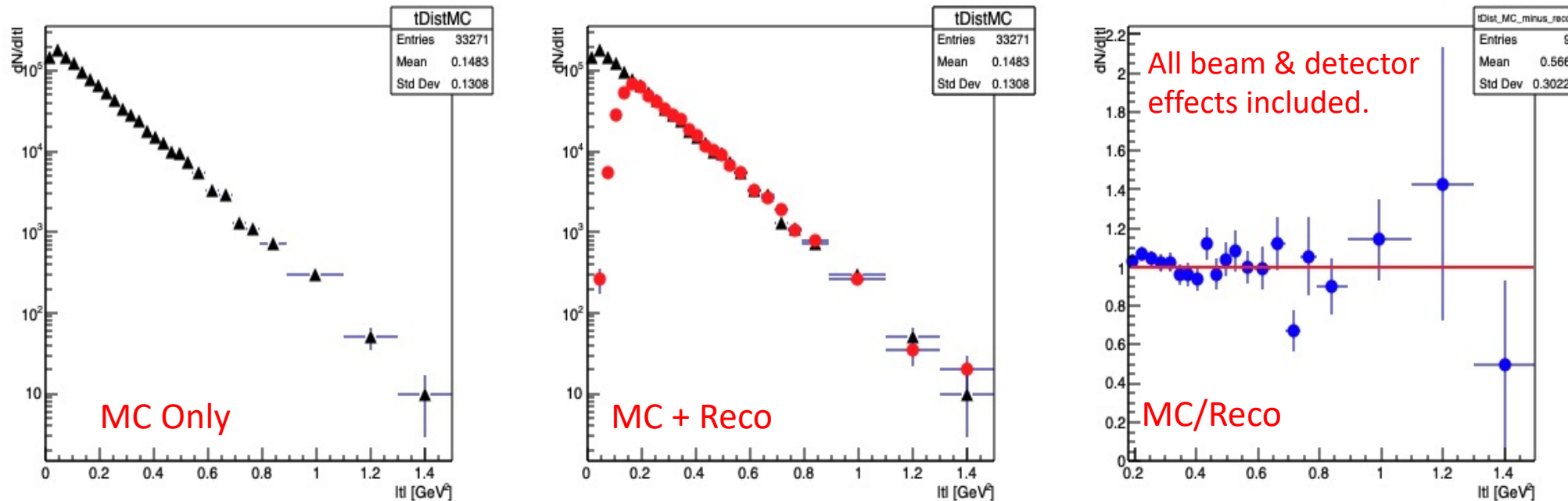


AC-coupled Low Gain Avalanche Detectors (AC-LGADs)

e+p DVCS

- Full GEANT4 simulations with Roman Pots carried out.
- All acceptance & smearing effects included.

18x275 GeV e+p DVCS events generated with MILOU.



- Low- $|t|$ acceptance affected by beam optics/size of beam at Roman Pots – can be mitigated with different optics configurations.
- With all smearing effects included, extraction of slope for Fourier Transform straightforward.